CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication:	24295.jpg
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Applicant:	The District Court at North Shore
Classification:	Objectionable.
Descriptive note:	None
Display conditions:	None
Date of entry in Register:	07 June 2013
Date of direction to issue a label:	No direction to issue a label has been issued
Date of notice of decision:	No notice of decision has been issued

Summary of reasons for decision:

The computer image file is deemed objectionable because it promotes and supports the exploitation of children or young persons for sexual purposes.

The image shows a man involving a boy who appears to be an older child or young teenager in a sexual act. The sole purpose of the image is to titillate or arouse adults with a sexual interest in young boys. The image encourages this sexual interest and perpetuates the idea that children and young people are ready for adult sexual use.

The classification of this publication interferes with the right to freedom of expression set out in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention and is a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression. The classification reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to protect its young and vulnerable members from sexual exploitation.